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NEWS RELEASE

United States Attorney Patrick L. Meehan and Philadelphia District Attorney Lynne Abraham announced today the filing of a 5-count Indictment¹ charging defendant SAMSON ADEYEMI with committing 2 armed robberies of commercial establishments on or about January 3, 2006. The defendant is charged with committing the following armed robberies:

No.	DATE	BUSINESS
1	1/3/06	Taco Bell 4600 City Line Ave Philadelphia
2	1/3/06	McDonald's 101 S. 52 nd Street Philadelphia

If convicted of all counts in the indictment, the defendant faces a maximum sentence of life imprisonment, including a 32 year mandatory minimum sentence, \$1,250,000 fine, 5 years supervised release, and a \$500 special assessment.

This investigation and prosecution was part of *Project Safe Neighborhoods*, a joint initiative by the United States Attorney's Office, each of the nine District Attorney's Offices in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (ATF), the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and other federal, state and local law enforcement agencies to identify and prosecute dangerous firearms offenders in federal court, where the defendants are likely to receive a substantial sentence upon conviction. Recently, as an extension of Project Safe Neighborhoods, the United States Attorney's Office, FBI, ATF, Philadelphia Police Department, and other law enforcement agencies have established the *Hobbs Act Robbery Task Force* to investigate and prosecute organized gangs and groups committing commercial armed robberies in this district.

¹ **An Indictment or Information is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.**

This case has been investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Philadelphia Police Department, and other state and local law enforcement agencies. The case has been assigned to Special Assistant United States Attorney Arlene D. Fisk.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

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SAMSON ADEYEMI	800 block of Sanger Street Philadelphia, PA	19

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